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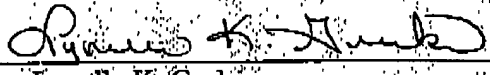
Patent  
Docket No.: 117-P-1062USD1

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Shane M. KELTON, Tina O.  
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Serial No.: 09/893,223  
Filed: June 27, 2001  
Title: TILE FLOOR (as amended)

Group Art Unit: 1774  
Confirmation Number: 5643  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**Introductory Comments**

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed April 27, 2005, and is accompanied by a Request for a One Month Extension of Time to Reply (thereby extending the reply deadline to August 27, 2005), and by a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) to Accept an Unintentionally Delayed Claim for the Benefit of a Prior-Filed Application. Please amend the application as follows:

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**Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the text at page 1, lines 8-15 as shown below in marked form:

**Cross-Reference to Related Applications**

This patent application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/382,906, filed February 3, 1995, now U.S. Patent Number 5,716,260, which is in turn a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/382,293, filed February 1, 1995, now abandoned.

**Field of the Invention**

This invention relates generally to systems for cleaning and restoring hard surfaces such as floors. The invention is particularly useful for maintaining a clean and slip-resistant surface on quarry tile floors.

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